

MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Description of proposal: Random Chance Timber Sale, Agreement No. 30-083720 and Forest Practices Application No. 2919503. This is a variable retention harvest of 157 acres in 2 units and 11 acres of right-of-way removal, with 40 feet of pre-haul maintenance, 4,026 feet of road reconstruction and 9,667 feet of road construction.

Description of mitigation: The following mitigation measures will be implemented with this proposal:

- Riparian Management Zones (RMZ) averaging 200 feet wide on type 3 streams and a minimum 100-foot wide Wetland Management Zone (WMZ) around a forested wetland have been retained to protect water quality, provide corridors for wildlife, and maintain habitat for fish and amphibians.
- > Approximately 2,900 feet of the T-Line will be reconstructed to reshape the road and to remove potential hazard trees from the road cut banks. This reconstruction is along both reclassified marbled murrelet habitat and low quality northern spotted owl habitat (both on the west side of the T-Line in Section 36, Township 16 North, Range 6 West). Trees to be removed along this portion are approximately 50 to 75 feet from the centerline of the road; a Region Biologist has reviewed the area and has determined there to be no potential impacts to the reclassified and low quality habitats.
- > Wildlife tree and snag recruitment will be accomplished by retaining a minimum of 8 trees per acre, consisting of conifer and hardwood species.
- > Portions of the T-3000 road were located to avoid a small failure on an orphaned road. Most of this road is located on a ridge-top and avoids any stream crossings.
- > One acre of right-of-way located between the T-Line road and the proposed T-3000 road will be replanted after the completion of harvest operations.
- > The most current design and construction techniques will be used for road construction and maintenance operations to minimize impacts on water quality.

Proponent: Department of Natural Resources

Location of proposal: Sections 29, 30 and 31, Township 16 North, Range 05 West and Section 25 and 36, Township 16 North, Range 06 West, W.M., approximately 13 miles by road, southwest of Oakville off the T-Line road systems in Grays Harbor County, Washington.

Lead agency: Department of Natural Resources

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

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[] There is no comment period for this Mitigated DNS.
[X] This MDNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from May 4,2009 . Comments must be submitted by May 5,2009 .
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